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SUBJECT: SYRIAN JEWS

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1. ACCORDING TO RELIABLE USINT SOURCE, JEWISH COMMUNITY BELIEVES THAT THE TWO JEWS RECENTLY ARRESTED IN CONNECTION WITH THE MURDER OF THE FOUR JEWISH GIRLS (SEE REFTEL) WILL SOON BE BROUGHT TO TRIAL. ONE OF THE MEN, HOWEVER, IS CONSIDERED BY THE JEWISH COMMUNITY TO BE ENTIRELY INNOCENT. HE IS DESCRIBED AS A SCHOOL TEACHER AND A RELATIVE OF THE GIRLS WHOSE ONLY FAULT WAS TO HAVE PUT THEM IN TOUCH WITH HIS CO-RELIGIONIST WHO WAS THE CONTACT POINT WITH THE GANG CHARGED WITH THE ACTUAL MURDER. THE LATTER IS DESCRIBED AS A MAN WHO IS KNOWN FOR HIS TIES WITH SMUGGLERS BOTH FOR THE PURPOSE OF BRINGING IN ILLICIT GOODS AS WELL AS HELPING JEWS AND OTHERS TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY ILLEGALLY.

2. WE WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THIS CASE CLOSELY AND AS FURTHER INFORMATION IS DEVELOPED WE WILL REPORT IT PROMPTLY.

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